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SUBJ: WORLD CONFERENCE TO COMBAT RACISM AND RACIAL

DISCRIMINATION: ZIONISM/RACISM QUESTION - SUDAN

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1. WHEN IT BECAME APPARENT THAT I WOULD BE UNABLE TO SEE  
EITHER FONMIN OR UNDERSECRETARY FOREIGN AFFAIRS QUICKLY TO  
CARRY OUT INSTRUCTIONS REFTEL, I DECIDED IT WOULD BE BEST  
TO SEE FONMIN IO DIRECTOR ABD AL-MAJID ALI HASSAN RATHER THAN  
DELAY MAKING DEMARCHE. WE MET AUGUST 16 AND I LEFT AIDE  
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MEMOIRE BASED ON REFTEL PARA 4 TALKING POINTS. HE PROMISED  
TO PASS AIDE MEMOIRE TO FONMIN. HASSAN WAS KNOWLEDGEABLE  
ABOUT ISSUE, HAVING PARTICIPATED IN INTRA-ARAB DISCUSSIONS  
IN BELGRADE. BELIEVE HIS VIEWS ARE REPRESENTATIVE OF  
SUDANGOV.

2. HASSAN WAS CLEARLY UNCOMFORTABLE WITH FINAL NAM

RESOLUTION. FOR EXAMPLE, HE NOTED SUDAN'S INTEREST AS AFRICAN COUNTRY IN SEEING STRONG ANTI-APARTHEID RESOLUTION EMERGING FROM GENEVA CONFERENCE, AND HE WOULD HAVE LIKED TO HAVE HAD USG SUPPORT AND PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER, HE ADMITTED THAT ARAB MODERATES WERE IN TACTICALLY WEAK POSITION TO CONFRONT RADICALS ON ZIONISM/RACISM LANGUAGE AT BELGRADE.

3. HASSAN STRESSED IMPORTANCE TO ARABS OF BELGRADE MEETING, FIRST AT WHICH ALL ARAB STATES WERE REPRESENTED SINCE SADAT VISIT TO JERUSALEM. TO ACHIEVE IMPORTANT OVERALL ARAB OBJECTIVE OF MAINTAINING RELATIILEY FRIENDLY ATOMSPHERE IN BELGRADE AND THEREBY AVOID DIRECT CONFRONTATION OF RADICALS WITH EGYPT, MODERATES HAD TO AVOID ARGUING OVER ZIONISM/RACISM LANGUAGE. HE DESCRIBED RADICALS AS ABUSIVE AND SAID MODERATES WOULD NOT RPT NOT HAVE BEEN ABLE TO AVOID BEING CRITICIZED AS QUOTE SELLING-OUT UNQUOTE. IN SHORT, MODERATES FELT ZIONISM/RACISM WAS NOT RPT NOT ISSUE OVER WHICH TO ARGUE WITH RADICALS AT BELGRADE IN CONTEXT THEIR LARGER, MORE IMPORTANT OBJECTIVES.

4. NEVERTHELESS, HASSAN SAID HE AGREES FULLY WITH USG THAT NOW IS NOT RPT NOT TIME TO PUSH ZIONISM/RACISM ISSUE. HE ADMITTED THAT SUDANGOV UNWILLING TAKE LEAD IN PULLING BACK FROM BELGRADE LANGUAGE BUT HE INDICATED IT WILLING LEND BEHIND-THE-SCENES WUPPORT TO USG POSITION. HE

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AGREED THAT IT PROBABLY WOULD BE USEFUL IF U.S. MISSION OFFICERS IN GENEVA FOLLOWED UP WITH SUDANESE PERREP ABDULLA MAHGOUB, WHO IS LEADING SUDANDEL TO SUBJECT CONFERENCE.

5. COMMENT: IN SHORT, HASSAN AGREES THAT ZIONISM/RACISM LANGUAGE THAT EMERGED FROM NAM MEETING IN BELGRADE LIKELY WILL BE UNHELPFUL TO SUDAN AND OTHER MODERATE ARABS. ISSUE, HOWEVER, IS EMOTIONAL ONE AMONG ARABS AND IS ESPECIALLY DIFFICULT FOR SUDANESE TO TACKLE OPENLY. THEY PROBABLY WOULD BE AT LEAST A LITTLE MORE COURAGEOUS, HOWEVER, IF OTHERS, NOTABLY SAUDIS AND EGYPTIANS, TOOK ACTION WHICH SUDANESE COULD SUPPORT.

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